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Testimony of CARTY S. CHANG Interim Chairperson

Before the Senate Committee on WATER AND LAND

> Friday, February 6, 2015 3:00PM State Capitol, Room 224

In consideration of **SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 2** AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT KAHALUU, KOOLAUPOKO, OAHU, FOR THE USE, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE **EXISTING SEAWALL**

Senate Concurrent Resolution 2 requests the authorization to issue a term, non-exclusive easement covering 31,266 square feet, more or less, portion of state submerged lands fronting the property identified as tax map key: (1) 4-7-011: seaward of 001¹, at Kahaluu, Koolaupoko, Oahu for use, repair, and maintenance of existing seawall constructed thereon, pursuant to Section 171-53, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS). The Department of Land and Natural Resources ("Department") notes that a similar concurrent resolution (Senate Concurrent Resolution 14) was introduced as part of the Administration's 2015 Legislative Package. As such, the Department supports Senate Concurrent Resolution 2.

The current owner of the abutting property, Kahaluu Pond, Inc., obtained a 30-year term easement from the Board of Land and Natural Resources ("Board") commencing from 1984. In view of the expiration date in 2014, the owner requested the Board issue a new 55-year term easement for the same purpose. As required by Section 171-53, HRS, the Board may lease submerged lands "with the prior approval of the Governor and the prior authorization of the Legislature by concurrent resolution". At its meeting on October 11, 2013, under agenda item D-6, the Board approved the issuance of a term, non-exclusive easement for seawall purposes.

¹ The TMK appeared on page 2 of the resolution should read "seaward of 001".

In addition, the Board authorized the issuance of a right-of-entry to Kahaluu Pond, Inc. for seawall purposes until the execution of the easement document.

The Department hired the appraisal firm of Appraisal Hawaii, Inc. who determined the one-time payment fair market value of the easement is \$4,060.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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Linda Wong	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Kahaluu Pond Inc. supports SCR 2 - The fishpond is on the State and National Registers of Historic Sites and is one of the few remaining fishpond s on Oahu in good condition. Parts of the fishpond wall were destroyed in 1965 by a hurricane - In 1981, the wall was repaired with a portion placed on state submerged lands, resulting in the Land Board in 1984,issuing a 40 year non-exclusive easement for repair and maintenance. This easement expired on February 28, 2014. Subsequently, the Board of Land and Natural Resources held a hearing and approved a new 55 -year non-exclusive easement for the maintenance and repair of the seawall, which action requires legislative approval. Kahaluu Pond requests your support of SCR 2, in order help with our preservation efforts of this historic site.

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